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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08. Copies of the listed foreign documents are enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance of the Japanese documents is found in the attached English-language Abstracts thereof and on pages 1-3 of the specification. In addition, Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-2335375 listed on the Form PTO/SB/08, corresponds to U.S. Patent Application Publication 2003/0038228 and U.S. Patent No. 6,894,263.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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